

NASHOBA LEARNING GROUP

PROVIDING HELP FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM, AND HOPE FOR THEIR FAMILIES.

NEWSLETTER



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Coming Events

Thursday October 15th
All-Star Comedy Night
hosted by Don Gavin

Benefitting Nashoba Learning Group and Autism Speaks. Montvale Plaza, Stoneham MA
To purchase tickets contact Paul Halloran at 617-872-0384 or pkhcomm@verizon.com
Donation \$50

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LETTER FROM LIZ

It has been a busy fall at Nashoba Learning Group as we welcome 5 new students to complete our Phase I expansion. Each of these new students will benefit from a carefully individualized and comprehensive learning program and will become a successful student, just like our 70 existing students. It is a joy to help these children and their families. We are actively planning and fundraising to renovate the remaining 5,000 square feet in our building and we are beginning to plan for further growth so that we can help more of the 200 students on our waiting list.

Every day, because of the efforts of the incredible team at NLG, our students achieve many small victories. Day by day, year by year, as these thousands of small steps cumulate, each student builds a repertoire of lifelong skills. Teamwork is what makes NLG shine. Thank you to everyone on the NLG team for all you do to help NLG allow children and teenagers with autism to achieve their potential.

-Liz Martineau, President



NLG'S VICTORIOUS SOFTBALL TEAM

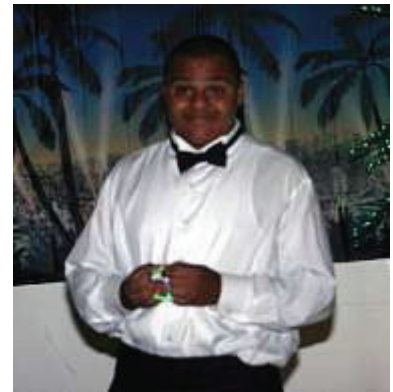
NLG'S SPARTAN PLAYGROUND IS OPEN!

After much planning and fundraising, and with construction hampered by extremely uncooperative weather this summer, our Playground is finally open for fun! On September 24th the kids got to try out the swings, balance beam, and ball drop and ride scooters and bikes on the new playground. We are very grateful to everyone who helped make our playground a reality. We are looking forward to adding a climbing structure and other fun things in the coming months.

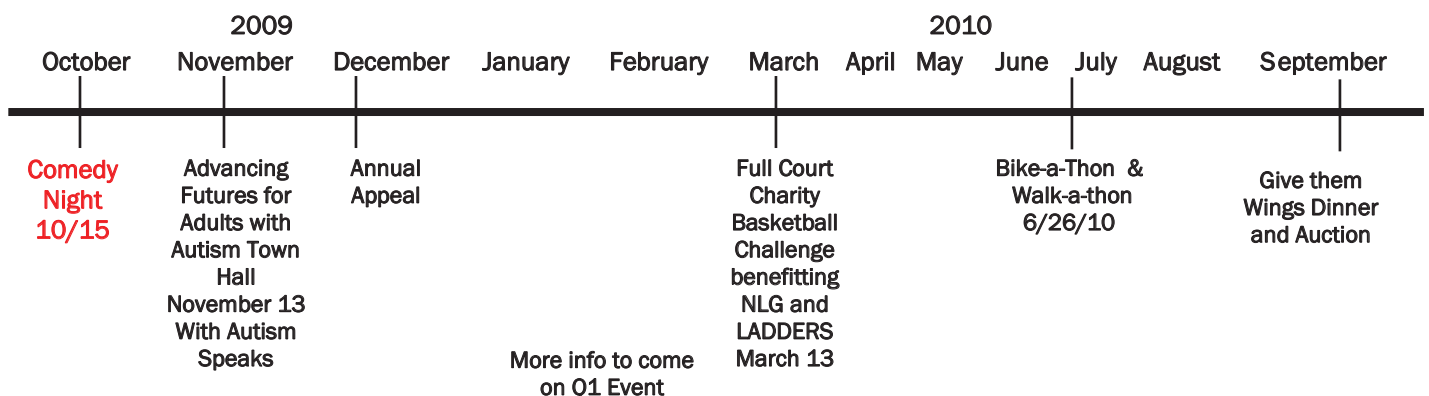


NLG PROM— JUNE 20TH

The second annual NLG Prom was a big success! Students, staff, and families enjoyed a fun filled evening dancing to the DJ in the NLG gym that had been transformed into a tropical paradise. Many thanks to Debra Campbell, and to all the NLG staff, parents and friends who helped make the night so special for our students!



NLG EVENT TIMELINE



For more information on events and ways to help, contact Ann Rosas; ann.rosas@nashobalearninggroup.org

DON'T MISS IT! OCT. 15TH COMEDY SHOW

The 2nd annual Comedy Night to benefit Autism Speaks and NLG will be held Thursday, Oct. 15 at the Montvale Plaza in Stoneham. Dinner will be at 6 p.m. followed by the comedy show, which will be hosted by Don Gavin. Other comedians scheduled to appear include Steve Sweeney, Ken Rogerson, Dave Russo, Patty Ross, Joe Yanetty and many others. Tickets are \$50. To purchase tickets contact Paul Halloran at pkhcomm@verizon.net or 617-872-0384.



7TH ANNUAL GIVE THEM WINGS AUCTION

Nashawtuc Country Club in Concord was the site of the 7th Annual NLG Give them Wings Dinner and Auction. Over 200 guests enjoyed music by Big Daddy Jazz, dinner, a spectacular NLG video created by MassAV and an auction with Stuart Slavid as our auctioneer. Bidding was lively and the result was a very successful fundraiser for NLG. This event is a wonderful occasion for students' families, friends and staff to come together to celebrate our students and support NLG. Thanks to all who helped make this evening a success!

Thank You
Auction
Committee

Barbara Baker

Jeanine Freimont

Jenny Kane

Laura O'Donnell

Ann Rosas

Mary Woodward

NLG NEWS

NLG is working hard to create state of the art vocational and life skills programming to prepare our students for adulthood. Our oldest students are 18 and we are actively preparing them to hold jobs and live with as much independence as possible in adulthood. NLG has partnered with Minuteman ARC to provide NLG students with appropriate skills external employment opportunities. Our first student begins a part-time job, accompanied by an NLG teacher this week! NLG is also presenting a workshop on our innovative Practical Money Management Program at the Berkshire Association for Behavior Analysis in Teaching Annual Conference in Amherst MA on October 16th.

And a special thank you to Mina Tauro and the Tauro family for all they did to make our Event a success!



NLG'S MISSION

Rates of autism are now reported as 1 in 150 children by the Center for Disease Control. Children with autism require intensive educational intervention in order to develop to their potential. Nashoba Learning Group was formed as a non-profit corporation in 2002, opening in 2003, in order to provide more impaired children and adults with autism with the services they need to succeed.

We provide outstanding individualized education, training, and intervention to children and young adults with autism, allowing those we serve to achieve their full potential and participate as fully as possible in family and community activities throughout their lives. We can't do this without your support!

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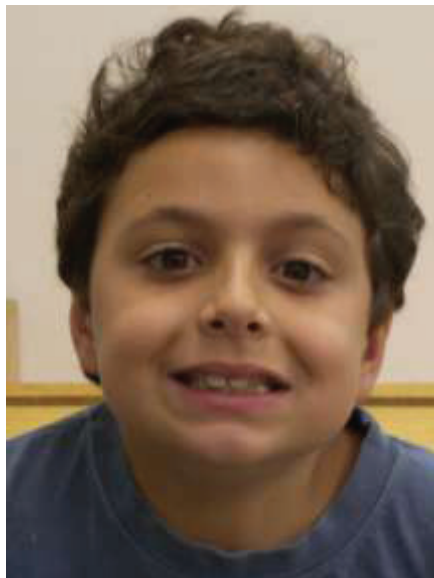
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